MINUTES NAEB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

WASHINGTON, D. C.

DECEMBER 5, 6, and 7, 1950

Prepared by Burton Paulu, Secretary

The NAEB Board of Directors met in Washington, D. C., December 5, 6, and 7, 1950, to review the progress of the television allocation hearings being held by the Federal Communications Commission and to discuss other matters of NAEB business.

Those present included NAEB president, Seymour Siegel of the New York Municipal Broadcasting System; vice-president, Graydon Ausmus, University of Alabama; and secretary, Burton Paulu, University of Minnesota. Also present were all six regional directors: Sam Gould, Boston University; Alvin Gaines, Board of Education, Atlanta; James Wiles, Purdue University; Richard B. Hull, Iowa State College; Ralph W. Steetle, Louisiana State University; and Allen Miller, State College of Washington. Other participants from NAEB institutions were Robert Hudson, University of Illinois; Donald Horton, and George Probst, University of Chicago; and Parker Wheatley, Lowell Institute Cooperative Broadcasting Council, Boston. (Present in Washington as a participant in the FCC hearings and in attendance at some of the Board Meetings was William Senor, University of Southern California.)

The NAEB officers discussed in great detail the hearings currently in progress before the FCC for which NAEB and several other educational groups have formed the Joint Committee on Educational Television. Views were exchanged with General Telford Taylor, legal counsel for these groups requesting the Commission to set aside television channels for education, I. Keith Tyler of Ohio State University, chairman of the Joint Committee on Educational Television, Stuart Haydon, NAEB consultant, Marcus Cohn and Leonard Marks, NAEB Washington legal counsel, Kermit Eby, associate professor of social sciences, University of Chicago, and Morris S. Novik, New York radio consultant. The group also attended some hearings, and discussed the issues involved with their Washington legal representatives and with some members of their congressional delegations.

The President reviewed for the Board members NAEB's current membership and financial status. He reported the 1950 membership status as follows:

41 FM stations @ $10.00
2 FM stations @ $20.00
16 AM stations @ $20.00
4 AM stations @ $15.00
4 AM stations @ $10.00
38 associate members @ $5.00
20 subscribers to News-Letter @ $5.00
1 subscriber to News-Letter @ $10.00

The President also reported the cash assets of NAEB to be $737.73 as of October 30. Checks totalling $12,034, collected during the current fund drive, had been sent to Treasurer W. I. Griffith.

The President urged the importance of a strong membership drive. After discussion, he appointed Vice-President Graydon Ausmus to direct and coordinate this drive.

The President appointed an advisory committee to the Board of Directors as follows: George Probst, chairman; Robert Hudson; Morris Novik; William Sener; Parker Wheatley. The Secretary was instructed to inform the members of their appointment to this committee.

The President appointed the following tape network advisory committee to assist in the determination of policies and the selection of programs for use by the tape network exchange: Robert Hudson, chairman; James Miles; and George Probst.

The Secretary was instructed by the Board to extend a vote of thanks to President Siegel and George Probst for their excellent leadership during the crisis posed by the TV allocation hearings.

The Board took action and authorized expenditures as follows:

After discussion of how associate members and subscribers should be differentiated, it was resolved that the matter should be assigned to the constitution committee for further study.

Voted that Graydon Ausmus and Ralph Steele should be co-chairmen of program committee for NAEB 1951 annual meeting.

Voted 5 to 1 in favor of dispensing with the office of Executive Secretary now held by Morris Novik, and instructed the Secretary to so inform Mr. Novik.

Voted that NAEB should engage legal and engineering consultants as soon as funds are available, said consultants to be paid a maximum of $1,000 per year each.

Urged all regional directors to assemble their members in district meetings, and authorized said regional directors to spend up to $300 each on such meetings, this amount to include the travelling and living expenses of directors or members in arranging such meetings, as well as the travelling and living expenses of guest speakers, but to exclude the travelling and living expenses of members while travelling to or attending such meetings.

Authorized the removal of the tape network headquarters from New York City to the University of Illinois on or about January 1, 1951, and the expenditure of funds as follows to defray the operating expenses of the network: monthly, between January 1, and March 30, 1951, $200 for the salary of a person to be put in charge of the network's operation, plus $50 for the expenses of the operation.

Approved the fund raising activities initiated on an emergency basis by President Siegel and George Probst, including specifically the arrangements concluded with the firm of Oram and Rich, and authorized their continuance on a similar basis.

Authorized application to the United States Bureau of Internal Revenue for a ruling to provide the NAEB with tax exempt status.

Authorized the President to open an NAEB account in a New York bank in the name of the organization, with authorization that checks, drafts, and other instruments or orders for the withdrawal of these funds may be signed on behalf of NAEB singly by either the President or Treasurer.

(In the implementation of this Board action the Secretary subsequently signed, in the name of the NAEB, an authorization for the President and Treasurer to open such an account with the Chemical Bank and Trust Company of New York, a copy of which is included as a part of these minutes. See page 4 to 5 below.)

Instructed the President and Treasurer to bond themselves covering amounts up to $10,000, and authorized them to expend NAEB funds in arranging for said bonding.

Approved payment of the bill of $2,238.41 filed by Stuart Haydon covering fees and expenses for services rendered between October 16, and November 30, 1950, in connection with the current TV allocation hearings.

Approved the retention of Stuart Haydon for further services between December 1 and 31, 1950, and authorized the payment of an amount not to exceed $2,000 for such services, divided as follows: $1,000 for fee; $1,000 for expenses.

Authorized the President to spend $500 or less for secretarial assistance.

Authorized the President, without additional prior authorization, to spend $500 or less in meeting unforseeable emergencies as they may arise.

Authorized the payment of the travelling and living expenses incurred by the thirteen members of the Board of Directors and their advisors as listed below in attending this meeting, with the qualification that no one person's living expenses should exceed $15 for any one day: Graydon Ausmus, Alvin Gaines, Sam Gould; Donald Horton; Robert Hudson; Richard Hull; James Miles; Allen Miller; Burton Paulu; George Probst; Seymour N. Siegel; Ralph Steetle; Parker Wheatley.

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National Association of Educational Broadcasters
(Name of Club, Society or Association)

I, the undersigned, hereby certify to Chemical Bank & Trust Company, New York, N. Y., that at a meeting of the Board of Directors
(Members, Executive Committee, Trustees, Board of Directors)
of National Association of Educational Broadcasters
(herein called the "Society") duly called and duly held on the 7th day of December, 1950, the following resolutions were duly adopted, and that said resolutions have been entered upon the regular minute book of the Society, are in accordance with the By-Laws and are now in full force and effect.

RESOLVED: 1. That the officers of this Society, or any one or more of them are hereby authorized to open a bank account or accounts from time to time with the Chemical Bank & Trust Company (hereinafter referred to as the Trust Company), for and in the name of this Society with such title or titles as he or they may designate.

2. That the President or Treasurer
(Indicate by title persons authorized to sign, viz.: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, etc.)
of this Society signing Singly
(Indicate how checks, etc., are to be signed, viz.: singly, jointly, any two, etc.)
and their successors in office, and any other person hereafter authorized to sign on behalf of this Society, are hereby authorized to sign checks, drafts, and other instruments, and orders for the payment or withdrawal of moneys, credits, items and property at any time held by the Trust Company for account of this Society, and the Trust Company is hereby authorized to honor any or all thereof and other instruments and orders authorized to be paid by the Trust Company, including such as may bring about an overdraft and such as may be payable to or for the benefit of any signer thereof or other officer, trustee, agent or employee individually without inquiry as to the circumstances of the issue or the disposition of the proceeds thereof and without limit as to amount.

3. That the Trust Company is hereby authorized to accept for deposit for the account of this Society for credit, or for collection, or otherwise, any or all checks, drafts, notes and other instruments of every kind indorsed by any person or by hand stamp impression in the name of this Society or without indorsement.

4. That the officers of this Society or any one or more of them are hereby authorized to act for this Society in all other matters and transactions relating to any of its business with the Trust Company.

5. That each of the foregoing resolutions and the authority thereby conferred shall remain in full force and effect until written notice of revocation or modification shall be received by the Trust Company; and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary or any other officer of this Society is hereby authorized

and directed to certify, under the seal of this Society or not, but with like effect in the latter case, to the Trust Company the foregoing resolutions, the names of the officers and other representatives of this Society, any changes from time to time in the said officers and representatives and specimens of their respective signatures; and that the Trust Company may conclusively assume that persons at any time certified to it to be officers or other representatives of this Society continue as such until receipt by the Trust Company of written notice to the contrary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Secretary and affixed the seal of the said Society this 8th day of January, 1951.

s/ Burton Paulu
Secretary

Burton Paulu

*Attest:

Official Designation

(Seal)

*Note: In case the Secretary is authorized to sign by the above resolutions, this certificate should be attested by a second officer or director of the Society.

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